

# Caledonian Mercury

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## A R M Y.

TO BE SOLD,

A N-EN-SIGNY in a favorite old Regiment, at present in Gibraltar, and said to be under orders for India. Apply to Mr ALLAN, Sun Fire Office.

## WANTED FOR JAMAICA,

To reside on the most healthy part of the Island, A HOUSE CARPENTER and MASON. As none but young men of good character, and well recommended, will be taken, such, on applying to Mason and Thomson, merchants, Edinburgh, will hear of liberal encouragement.

## BEEF AND BUTTER.

**T**HE EAST LOTHIAN and MERSE WHALE FISHING COMPANY want Twelve Thousand Pounds, Amsterdam weight, of Good FRESH BEEF, and Twenty Firkins Good-SALT BUTTER. The Cattle to be killed at Dunbar on the first week of November next, and none of them to weigh under thirty stones foorsaid weight. The Butter to be delivered at the said Company's Cellars in Dunbar, free of all charges, in the second week of January thereafter.

Persons willing to contract to furnish the above, will please give in their proposals for the Beef on or before the 15th current, and for the Butter on or before the 3d day of December next. —The offers to be made in writing, sealed, addressed to the Managers of the Whale Fishing Company, Dunbar, marking at the bottom of the address, "Offers for Beef or Butter."

Dunbar, October 1, 1798.

## OFFICE FOR SICK AND WOUNDED SEAMEN.

APRIL 10, 1797.

**T**HERE being a want of SURGEONS MATES to serve in his Majesty's Navy, the Commissioners for Sick and Wounded Seamen do hereby give notice to such Gentlemen as are willing to serve therein, That they may, on application at this Office, receive letters for examination before the Surgeon's Company of London; or, if more agreeable to the parties, by applying to Dr Hamilton of the Royal Infirmary at Edinburgh, they may receive letters for examination before the Royal College of Surgeons at that place, and afterwards be appointed to ships according to their qualifications.

His Majesty has been pleased to direct, by his order in Council, dated 28th May 1795, that the pay of Surgeons Mates should be increased; and the Right Honourable the Lords Commissioners of the Admiralty have, by their order of the 10th of November 1796, directed that further encouragement should be given, the particulars of which may be known by applying to Dr Hamilton, as above, or to Mr Wood, Surgeon to Prisoners of War at Edinburgh.

## STOLEN OR STRAYED,

From an enclosure of Springfield, in the parish of Coldstream, and County of Berwick, on the evening of Thursday the 20th instant,

**A** DARK IRON GREY CROPT MARE, rising six years old, and about fourteen hands high. A Reward will be given for the delivery of the Mare to the Proprietor at Kelso-house, in the parish of Edrom, all expenses paid, and no questions asked. And if the Mare has been stolen, a Reward of Five Guineas will be paid by the owner, and Five Guineas by the Association for the preservation of the Police of Berwickshire, upon conviction of the offender, to whoever will give information to Mr Turnbull writer in Dume, Clerk to said Association, so as the offender may be apprehended, and brought to punishment, and the informer's name, if required, shall be concealed.

Dunbar, 29th September, 1798.

## TOBACCO, AND OTHER GOODS, BY AUCTION.

By virtue of a Commission of Appraisement and Sale, issued from the High Court of Admiralty of England,

**T**HERE will be exposed to public sale, on Friday the 26th October current, to begin at twelve o'clock noon, and in the Warehouses of of WILLIAM SIMBALD and COMPANY, merchants, Leith, upon such conditions as will be then produced.

## THE FOLLOWING GOODS—*etc.*

- About 1800 Mats UKRAIN TOBACCO,
- 23 Casks ditto,
- 120 Casks WOOD ASHES,
- 98 Pieces of WAINSCOT,
- 742 Small ditto,—
- 742 SPARS,

Being the Cargo of the ship called the Catharina Elizabeth Swart, Ebbe Klausen Mulder master, lately taken by His Majesty's frigate Iris, George Brise, Esq. commander, and Lord Hood armed ship, John Larmour, Esq. commander.

Catalogues will be issued at the counting-house of William Simbald and Company, and the Cargo may be viewed any day in the week of sale.

ROBERT JOP, Commissioner.

## FIVE TOLLS.

**T**HE Clerk to the Trustees for making and repairing the Turnpike Roads in the County of Fife, requests the attendance of the said Trustees at a GENERAL MEETING, to be held within the County-room at Cupar on Friday the 12th day of October current, at twelve o'clock noon, when

## THE TOLLS AND DUTIES

Leviable at the several Toll Gates within the said County will be exposed to public roup—to be set in tuck for one year from and after the 11th day of November next.

The articles of roup are in the hands of Mr Horsbrugh, Captain, and information on the subject will be procured from the respective District Clerks.

THOS. HORSBRUGH, Clerk.

## SALMON FISHING TO LET.

To be LET, for nineteen years, or such other period as can be agreed on, and entered to on December 1st 1798,

**T**HE SALMON-FISHING on the Water of CONON, with the cruises and cord-houses thereto belonging, lying in the parish of Urquhart, and shire of Cromarty.

For further particulars, enquire at Mr Duncan, writer to the signet, Edinburgh, to whom proposals for taking the above fishing may be given in. Any not accepted of shall be kept secret, if desired.

## A SALE OF MAHOGANY.

**F**ALLAN AND SONS respectfully inform the Cabinet-makers and Upholsterers in Edinburgh, That they will expose to Sale at their wood yard in Cowan's Close, Crosscauseway, on Monday the 8th instant, at 12 o'clock noon, from 6000 to 7000 feet of HONDURAS AND HISPANO-MAHOGANY, of excellent quality and good sizes.

F. Allan & Sons solicit the attention of the Trade to this Sale.

Dunbar, 4th October, 1798.

## SEAL AND COD OIL.

To be SOLD by auction, in the Store of JAMES HUNTER and COMPANY, Greenock, on Monday the 8th of October 1798, at eleven o'clock forenoon,

**A**BOUT Eighty Tons WHITE SEAL OIL, and Sixty Tons COD OIL, lately imported from Newfoundland.

To be set up in such lots as intending purchasers may incline.

The Oil may be seen by applying to James Hunter and Company.

Greenock, Sept. 25. 1798.

## NOTICE.

**T**HE DEBTORS of the late Mr JOHN SHIELLS, Surgeon in Edinburgh, will please order payment of their Accounts, to John Laurie, merchant, opposite the Cross-hill, Edinburgh, who has powers to discharge the same; and those to whom Mr Shielles stood indebted, will receive payment from Mr Laurie.

## AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,

The Old Shipping Company's Smacks

CERES PACKET, Two. BAUC Master,

AND

BERWICK MERCHANTS, Wm. WHITE Master,

Will take in goods, the former till Friday, at ten o'clock; when the will sail; and the latter till Saturday evening, and sail on Sunday mid-day.

Old Shipping Company's Office, { WILLIAM GRINLY, Ag.

Leith, Oct. 3. 1798.

## This Day is Published,

And Sold by J. SIMPSON, and Peter Hill, Cross, Edinburgh: A. Brown, Aberdeen; and J. MUNDELL, College, Glasgow—price ONE SHILLING.

## AN ANALYSIS

### OF THE

### ACT OF THE 38TH OF HIS PRESENT MAJESTY,

### FOR THE

### SALE OF THE LAND TAX,

### SO FAR AS IT RELATES TO SCOTLAND,

In which is pointed out the Method and Order of Purchase; Consequences resulting from the Purchase; and Powers given to Persons, Officers, and Courts for the execution of the Act.

BY ALEX. MUNDELL, W. S.

Of Robert Street, Adelphi, London.

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PERSONAL LEGACY DUTY.

STAMP-OFFICE, SEPT. 7, 1798.

WHEREAS by an Act passed on the 26th day of April, in the 26th year of the reign of his present Majesty, it is enacted, That upon every legacy specific or pecuniary, of the value of £20 or more given by any will or testamentary instrument of any person who shall die after the passing of the said act, out of the personal estate of the person so dying, and also upon the clear residue of the personal estate of every person who shall die, whether testate or intestate, and leave personal estate of the clear value of £100, after deducting debts, funeral expenses, and other charges, there shall be raised, levied, and collected, for the use of his Majesty, his heirs and successors, the several duties, after the rates and in manner therein particularly mentioned.

AND WHEREAS HIS MAJESTY'S COMMISSIONERS FOR MANAGING THE STAMP DUTIES have reason to believe, that the duties which have become payable under the said act upon legacies bequeathed, as well as upon the residue of the personal estate and effects of many persons who have died since the said 26th day of April, the day of passing the said act, have not been duly answered and paid, and proper receipts or discharges given for such legacies and personal estate, according to the said act: And the said Commissioners have also reason to believe, that the duties imposed by several other acts on legacies, and the residue of personal estate, not subject to the duties imposed by the said act of the 30th year of his Majesty's reign, have not been duly answered and paid, and proper receipts or discharges given for such legacies and personal estate, according to the said former acts, and also according to the said act of the 30th year of his Majesty's reign: — THE COMMISSIONERS THEREFORE DO HEREBY GIVE NOTICE, That proceedings will be had against all persons who shall appear to have offended against the said acts, to recover the amount of the duties payable under the said acts respectively, together with the penalties incurred by such persons as shall appear to have committed with the terms of the said acts. AND THE COMMISSIONERS ALSO GIVE NOTICE, That, by the said act of the 30th year of his Majesty's reign, all persons paying and receiving legacies or personal estate subject to the said duties without receiving and allowing thereout respectively the duties payable thereon, are chargeable with the said duties as debts due to his Majesty; and both parties are respectively liable to penalties, in case of payment of such legacies without such receipt or discharge as required by the act.

THE COMMISSIONERS ALSO GIVE NOTICE, That, by an act passed in the 37th year of his Majesty's reign, it is enacted, "That every person who shall administer the personal estate of any person dying after the passing of the said act, or any part thereof, without proving the will of the deceased, or taking out letters of administration of such personal estate, within six calendar months after the death of the person so dying, shall forfeit and pay the sum of £50 to be recovered as aforesaid, and the sum so recovered, one moiety thereof to his Majesty, and the other to the person who shall sue for the same."

By order of the Commissioners,

J. BRETTELL, Secretary.

LONDON GAZETTE.

At the Court at Weymouth the 28th of September, 1798.

PRESIDENT,

The KING's Most Excellent Majesty in Council. This day the Right Honourable William Shaw Lord Cathcart was, by his Majesty's Commission, sworn of his Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, and took his place at the Board accordingly.

WHITEHALL, September 1, 1798.

The King has been pleased to grant unto Charles Macpherson, of Kingston, in the island of Jamaica, Esq., his royal licence and authority to assume and take the surname of MacNeal only, in compliance with the will of Lachlan MacNeal, late of Kingston, in the island of Jamaica, Esq., such declaration and concession being duly recorded in the College of Arms.

London

SEPTEMBER 29.

A private letter received from Dalmatia by the last Hamburg mail, dated on the 17th ult. states the arrival of intelligence there, of the victory obtained by Admiral Nelson over the French fleet, and gives the following particulars, viz.—Seven ships of the line taken, two run ashore, two escaped, forty transports destroyed, L'Orient, the Admiral's ship, burnt. The letter adds that the British Admiral had appeared before Malta with his fleet and his prizes; and that the Maltese had in consequence of the victory risen on the French garrison, and had repudiated themselves of the island. This letter, we understand, was addressed to Sir Francis Baring, by a nephew of his resident in Dalmatia.

Friday morning a French flag of truce from Gravelines appeared off Dover; but the wind blowing hard, she was obliged to bear up for Ramsgate, where she landed thirty-two English prisoners. Had this vessel brought any French papers, they must have reached town. The circumstance of none having been brought strengthens the supposition that the French Directory have received intelligence which they wish to suppress as long as they can.

Friday, Government dispatches were received in town from Gibraltar, and by the same conveyance a number of private letters. The intelligence by this conveyance is of no means important. Some dispute has taken place at Tangiers, the principal port of the Emperor of Morocco, where his Majesty's sloop-Corse, Captain James, having been sent for his stock, which they obtained and paid for, it was afterwards taken away, and the officers and crew of the British man-of-war highly insulted.

It is reported that the homeward bound Jamaica fleet passed by Cape Nicola Mole on the 9th of August. The Jamaica, Wylye, and another ship from Montego Bay, were taken by a privateer, and re-taken by the crews, who carried them to St. Domingo.

Four ships are said to be wrecked near Port Maria. The Maidstone frigate, with her convoy, arrived at St. Domingo on the 14th of August.

There is a report that Cape Nicola Mole has been abandoned by the British. If this is true, they must have been obliged to yield it up to a superior force, as Gen. Knox, with a reinforcement for that place, is now on his passage to the West Indies.

Three Spanish ships, bound from Malaga to Gibraltar, to obtain cargoes of tobacco for the King's manufactory at Seville, were stopped, say the French papers, by a French ship, which found on board of them English passports. The ships were taken as lawful prizes.

It was yesterday reported in the city, that the differences between France and America were about to be amicably adjusted; and that the former was to give up the island of Guadalupe, in the West Indies, to the United States.

Lady Edward Fitzgerald is at the house of Mrs. Mathielan, at Hamburg. This lady was educated along with Lady Edward, by Madame Sillery, and is married to a considerable merchant in Hamburg. She invited her young companion to take an asylum in her house.

The vintage in Portugal has proved unusually successful this year, and the fame may be said of the wine districts in France.

General Pichégru has been removed out of town on account of his health, which is by no means re-established.

Of the companions of Pichégru, Ramelle was commander of the National Guard at Paris; Willot was a Deputy, and had commanded the troops of the line at Marseilles; Rovère was a Marquis under the old Government, was deeply implicated in some of those bloody scenes which passed at Avignon in 1791; but in 1797, became one of the most zealous and formidable opponents of the Directory, in the Council of Five Hundred.

Suard, one of the writers sentenced to transportation, on the 4th of September, has found an asylum at the house of his old friend M. Necker, at Cope, where that Ex-Minister resides, hitherto undisturbed by the storms of the Helvetic Revolution.

The Lord Chancellor of Ireland, we are told, is coming over to this country, as soon as the Irish Parliament is prorogued. The Seals are to be put in commission during his absence. It is suggested, that one of the objects of his journey is to consider of the proposition now under consideration, for an union between the two countries.

Mr Curran, the Irish Barrister, is just arrived in London. He resides for the present at Earl Moira's.

DUCHESS OF WIRTEMBURGH'S BIRTH DAY.

Friday being the birth-day of her Royal Highness the Duchess of Würtemberg, their Majesties' eldest daughter, who completed the 32d year of her age, their Majesties received the compliments of the Nobility at Gloucester Lodge. Rural sports were to form a part of the celebration at Maiden Castle, Dorchester, for which the following invitation was given:

All persons, of jovial, friendly, and loyal dispositions are invited to be present at, and to partake of the under mentioned country sports, which with others to be declared upon the ground, are intended, if the weather is fine, to be exhibited at Maiden Castle, near Dorchester, this day, September 29, at eleven o'clock in honour of the birth-day of her Royal Highness the Duchess of Würtemberg.

- No. 1. To be played for at cricket, a round of beef. Each man of the winning set to have a ribbon.
- No. 2. A cheese to be rolled down the hill. Prize to whoever stops it.
- No. 3. A silver cup to be run for by ponies, the best of three heats.
- No. 4. A pound of tobacco to be grinded for.
- No. 5. A barrel of beer to be rolled down the hill. Prize to whoever stops it.
- No. 6. A Michaelmas day goose to be dived for.
- No. 7. A good hat to be cudgelled for.
- No. 8. Half a guinea for the best ass, in three heats.
- No. 9. A handsome hat, for the boy most expert in catching a rooster dipped in treacle, and suspended by a string.
- No. 10. A log of mutton and a gallon of porter, to the winner of a race of 100 yards, in sacks.
- No. 11. A good hat to be wreathed for.
- No. 12. Half a guinea to the rider of the ss, who wins the best of three heats, by coming in last.
- No. 13. A pig. Prize to whoever catches him by the tail.

An Umpire to be chosen in each of the above cases, to settle all circumstances relative to the same, and declare the winners; and if he give satisfaction, he will receive half a crown.

Dr Pitcairn has left town on his way to Lisbon, for the recovery of his health, which his friends know with great concern, is far from being good. He takes his passage in the next packet from Falmouth.

Yesterday, as Mr and Mrs Gray of Ealing, were coming to town in their chariot, the horses took fright at a dead horse (which was most shamefully permitted to lie in the road near the five mile stone), and breaking their reins, ran with the carriage down a bank, adjoining the road into a deep pond; but the carriage providentially not overturning, Mr and Mrs Gray were taken out unharmed.

ELECTION OF LORD MAYOR.

Saturday, a Common-Hall of the Livery of London was held at Guildhall, for the election of a Lord Mayor for the year ensuing, when the shew of hands was declared to be in favour of Mr Alderman Coombe and Sir Richard Carr Glynn, Knt.—A poll was demanded by Mr Alderman Newman, but, after a short time, was withdrawn; when Sir Richard Carr Glynn was returned by the Court of Aldermen, Lord-Mayor elected for the year ensuing. He is a junior Alderman to Coombe.

The show of hands for Sir William Staines, though highly respectable, was certainly not equal to that for Mr Alderman Coombe, which we attribute to the circumstance not being sufficiently understood that it was necessary to return two Aldermen below Mr Alderman Coombe, to insure the election of Sir Richard Carr Glynn.

Friday, Wm. Champion and Peter Mellish, Esqrs. were sworn into the office of Sheriffs of London and Middlesex for the year ensuing; and Mr Ed. Allen, Under Sheriff for the county of Middlesex. Afterwards the Aldermen, City Officers, &c. were elegantly entertained by the Sheriffs, &c. at the London tavern.

Extract of a letter from a Gentleman in the Colony of Demarara, to Doctor Penikard, physician to the British Forces, dated July 14, 1798.

"I have just dined in company with General Pichégru and his associates, Willot, Ramelle, De la Rue, d'Essonville, and Aubrey. They made their escape from Cayenne to Surinam, and from thence to Demarara. They go hence with the convoy to the rendezvous of the fleet, and proceed therewith to England.—Barthelemy is left sick at Paramaribo. Messengers from Cayenne arrived at Surinam, in search of them, while they were in the Governor's house; but Frederic offered no impediment to their further escape. Pichégru is reserved and silent; in appearance he more resembles a monk than a General; d'Essonville possesses all the French garrulity—his tongue knows no limits. They say they were outwitted by Barras only ten hours before they were to have played their parts; d'Essonville upbraids the others for not following his advice, by which the opposite faction would have been guillotined. They all seem very desirous to be again in France, and still expect to be able to change the state of affairs in that nation. The present rulers they declare to be a lawless banditti, who have no view for the public good, but are only solicitous to enrich themselves."

The fate of men of genius has sometimes been singularly unfortunate. Plautus turned a mill—Terence was a slave—Boethius died in a gaol—Paulo Borghese had fourteen different trades, yet starved with all—Tasso was often distressed for £5—Bentivoglio was refused admittance into an hospital which he himself had erected—Butler's talents were not so great advantage to the professor; but the name they acquired him induced an alderman to erect a monument to his memory—Cervantes and Otway died of hunger—Camden died his days in an hospital—and Vaugelas left his body to the surgeons, to pay his debts, as far as it would go.

THIS DAY'S POST.

LONDON—October 1.

DEFAT OF THE FRENCH FLEET.

Dispatches are received at the Admiralty from Sir Morton Eden, at Vienna, and are said to confirm the very important intelligence of the victory obtained by Sir Horatio Nelson over the French fleet near Alexandria. Report states, that all the French ships, except two, which escaped to Malta, were either taken or destroyed.

Dispatches are also said to have been received from Sir William Hamilton, which state, that the Mutine cutter had arrived at Naples with an account of Admiral Nelson having burnt two French ships of the line, and captured seven, with all the transports.

COURIER OFFICE.

We stop the press to insert the following copy of a paper posted up at Lloyd's:

"In dispatches received from Sir Morton Eden at Vienna, dated the 15th of September, he mentions having received an official communication from the Neapolitan Charge d' Affairs, that the Mutine cutter had arrived from Admiral Nelson's fleet, on the 3d at Naples, the Captain of which declared, that the whole of the French line of battle ships were taken, burnt, or destroyed, except two.

IMPORTANT INTELLIGENCE.

By the Hamburg Mail which arrived this morning.

CONSTANTINOPLE—Aug. 25.

Last night the Turkif Minister received important dispatches from the Pacha of Rhodes. They bring advice that several French frigates had arrived at that island, which had been seized by the Pacha, according to the orders lately received from the Grand Signior. The Pacha has likewise transmitted the following intelligence.

The English Admiral Nelson having appeared unexpectedly before the harbour of Alexandria, found there the French fleet, and immediately attacked it. The French Admiral's ship, on board of which Buonaparte had been, took fire, and was entirely consumed. The French frigates, which escaped into the open sea, were not aware that the Porte was inimically disposed towards France, and that hostilities had already commenced; they therefore came to anchor in the harbour of Rhodes, and were immediately confiscated.

From the Captains of these frigates the Pacha of Rhodes received the account of the destruction of the French fleet, and the principal circumstances of that event. The Porte immediately communicated this intelligence, by their interpreter, to the foreign Ministers. This day the English Minister, Sir Spencer Smith, received the confirmation of this account.

With respect to the army of Buonaparte we have received the following intelligence. It had for some time maintained a position between Rofetta and Cairo; but suddenly retreated to Damietta. In the vicinity of this town the French were attacked by an army of 20,000 Arabs, the greater part cavalry, under the command of Mustapha Bey, and two other Beys.

An obstinate battle ensued; and the Arabs say in their account, transmitted to the Pacha of Damietta, that they forced the enemy to retire with considerable loss, and that the French afterwards made a stand a few leagues from Damietta.

These accounts do not say why Buonaparte, at first, instead of advancing against the residence of the Beys, should have retreated so soon; but this is ascribed partly to the numerous cavalry that covered the city of Cairo, partly to the inundation of the Nile, which at this time is at the highest, and partly to the difficulty which the French found in obtaining provisions where so many of the roads were laid under water.

The Porte has taken great offence at the invasion of Egypt by the French, and regards it as an act of open hostility. It considers the project of Buonaparte as very degrading to its dignity, injurious to its Government, and contrary both to the claims it has to Egypt, and the relations which long existed between it and the Beys, who govern Egypt in its name.

The French Charge d' Affairs, Citizen Ruffin, and all those in employment under him, have in consequence been put under arrest, and confined to their houses.—The French, resident here, have been forbidden to wear the national cockade in the streets and public places. They had, indeed, before laid aside the cockade, from fear of being ill-treated by the populace, who are violently incensed against the French.

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#### MAGISTRATES OF EDINBURGH.

Tuesday the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council of the city of Edinburgh, went in procession to the Tolbooth Church, when an excellent discourse was preached by the Rev. Dr GRIEVE.

After divine service, the Lord Provost, Magistrates, and Council returned to the Council Chamber, and unanimously made choice of the following gentlemen to be Magistrates?

The Right Hon. Sir JAMES STIRLING, Bart. to be LORD PROVOST.

JAMES EYRE, Esq. GEORGE SPANKEY, Esq. THOMAS HENDERSON, Esq. PETER HILL, Esq. CHARLES KERR, Esq. ARCH. GILCHRIST, Esq. MALCOLM WRIGHT, Old Dean of Guild. ARCHIBALD MACKINLAY, Old Treasurer.

BAILIES.

Dean of Guild, continued.

Treasurer, continued.

Old Treasurer.

#### MAGISTRATES OF GLASGOW.

LAURENCE CRAIGIE, Esq. Lord Provost. Robert Muirhead, Esq. Thomas Hopkirk, Esq. Robert Austin, Esq.

BAILIES.

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LAKEN and a Mr ANDERSON, who resided within a few miles of the former place.

On Wednesday night last, three brothers of the name of BYRNE, respectable farmers, near Roundwood in the county of Wicklow, were set upon by a band of ruffians, and deprived of life with attending circumstances of great barbarity. Can nothing be done to put an end to this demoniac system which afflicts and disgraces the country?—or is Ireland, one way or other, ever fated to be a scene of terror and personal insecurity. Even the terrible experiment of open warfare is more tolerable to the country than the hell-born fiend-like war of assassination, which if longer carried on will confirm to the Irish name an indelible disgrace and abhorrence all over the world.—*Dub. Ev. Ptg.*

According to the new bill for regulating licenses, a penalty of 20l. may be levied on any parish or town-land where an unlicensed retailer of spirits shall be found—*all persons before obtaining a license shall swear that they hold no employment, nor in any ways ever belonged to a society of United Irishmen—the other principal features of the bill are a penalty of 50l. to which a magistrate is subject who shall refuse or neglect to carry the act into execution; and the licensels are raised from 20l. to 30l. for which the licensed person is permitted to sell any liquor, but cider.*

On Wednesday evening, to early as seven o'clock, a banditti entered the house of Alderman TRUELOCK, at Simon's Court, and, after locking the female part of the family in a lower apartment, proceeded up stairs into the Alderman's chamber, and, having obliged him to give them the keys of his desk, took therefrom cash and bank-notes, as we understand, to the amount of 50l. and upwards.

*PRICES OF GRAIN AT DUBLIN, Sept. 22.*  
Wheat, 20s od to 22s od p. lb.—20 stone average 29s 1d p. lb.  
Barley, 10s od to 12s od —16 —10s 7d  
Oats, 8s od to 12s od —14 —11s 1d  
Oatmeal, 12s od to 15s 6d per Cwt. —13s 1d  
Exchequer Bills payable 1802 94 per cent.  
Exchange on London 8s 8d per cent.

*WAR-OFFICE, DUBLIN-CASTLE, Sept. 28. 1798.*

His Majesty has been pleased to make the following promotions in the army on this Establishment:

4th Regiment of Dragoon Guards—Captain Denis Pack, from the 5th dragoon guards, to be Major, by purchase, vice Packetham, removed to the 2nd dragoons.

6th Regiment of Foot—Ensign Robert Macmillan, from the 28th foot, to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Langley, resigned.

13th Ditto—Ensign George Thornhill to be Lieutenant, by purchase, vice Edwards, resigned. R. B. Handcock to be Ensign, by purchase, vice Johnston, promoted.

#### FEUDILE INFANTRY.

Princess of Wales (for Aberdeen)—Captain Thomas Purefoy, from the Tipperary militia, to be Lieutenant-Colonel, vice Macneil, he having obtained letters of service to raise a corps. Lieutenant John Wilson to be Captain, vice Burns, promoted. Ensign John Brown to be Lieutenant, vice Bunbury, resigned. George Lamont to be Ensign. Ensign James Craigie to be Lieutenant, vice Thrastons, resigned. Charles Lamont to be Ensign. Ensign James Martin to be Lieutenant, vice Mackinnon, resigned. H. Lawson to be Ensign, vice Bissett, resigned.

1st Bat. Caledonian Legion—Ensign G. Mackenzie to be Lieutenant, vice Macleath, promoted in the ad battalions.

2d Bat. Rothsay and Caithness—Major Duncan Darroch, from the half-pay of the late 104th regiment, to be Major, vice Molyneux, exchanged.

#### CORK, Sept. 23.

An express has arrived from Bantry, mentioning that an English frigate arrived there, the Captain of which states, that he had deserted at sea a French fleet, consisting of two ships of the line, and seven frigates, steering to the westward. He said, he had left a fleet of war to watch their motions, while he came with intelligence respecting them to Admiral Kingmill.

#### SEPTEMBER 26.

This day DENIS CASEY was executed at Galows-green pursuant to his sentence, for conspiring to murder Doctor HARDING our present worthy Sheriff.—He died a melancholy instance of youthful depravity, he was under 20 years of age.

#### SLIGO, Sept. 24.

The army on their march to Ballina against the rebels, had a severe skirmish with a party of them they came up with on the road, several of whom they killed, and took from them two pieces of cannon. We have just received intelligence here of the annihilation given to the insurgents at Ballina. Our army surrounded them from Scurmore to Ballina, and from that to Killala. There were 3000 of them laid dead in the attack.

The King cutter of 14 guns, full of armed men, went from this place, to prevent any escape of the insurgents by sea, and which had the desired effect. In the march of the army, they burnt all houses where pikes were found, or property plundered from loyal subjects. Among our forces there were three men killed; Mr Todd, a merchant of this town, has fallen in the affair, and one of the Sligo cavalry is wounded in the neck.

#### TO THE PRINTER OF THE CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

22. DUNDEE, SEPT. 28. 1798.

You will oblige many of your readers here, by inserting the following.

#### EPI T A P H.

“ At brevis nobis miserisque vite  
“ filia paulatim tenet, fenepta  
“ Dunc in putens cinerem caducos  
“ Solvitur artus.”

#### Memoria sacrum

REV. GEORGII CUPPLES. V. D. M.  
Qui per annos quadraginta quatuor  
S W I N T O N I,  
Ministeris Divinis prefuit.

Optimum artium studiis ac disciplina

#### Insigne imbutus,

Litteras humaniores feliciter excoluit,

#### Mores hominum auctor depinxit;

Auctores Latinos, Gracisque clarissime explicavit,

#### Antiquitates clara luce perfudit;

Difficultates lycen oculis inflexit

#### Acumineque critico evolut.

Lepores, fales Atticos, urbano,

#### Quasi e penu expropriatos

Quis sodalium longo post tempore

#### Non reminiscitur?

Obit, 14 Septembris 1798.

#### Annos 72 natus.

EDINBURGH PRICES OF MEAL, Oct. 2.

Lothian Oatmeal, 270 bolls. South Country, 34.  
Lothian per Boll. South Cogart per Boll. Price per Peck.  
First, L. 16 6 First, L. 16 6 First, L. 16 6  
Second, L. 16 3 Second, L. 0 0 0 Second, L. 0 0 0  
Third, L. 16 0 Third, L. 0 0 0 Third, L. 0 0 0

PRINTED BY ROBERT ALLAN, OLD FISH MARKET CLOSE; EVERY MONDAY, THURSDAY, AND SATURDAY.—Price L. 3: 18s. per annum, when called for.—L. 4. delivered in Town, or in Leith; and L. 4: 4s. sent by Post.

#### BERWICK PRICES OF GRAIN, SEPT. 29.

Per boll of six Winchester bushels.  
Wheat 30s od to 32s od Barley 16s od to 17s od  
Beans 20s od to 21s od Oats 13s od to 14s od  
Per boll of 6 Win. bushels.

#### ARRIVED AT LEITH.

Oct. 1. Ann, Gray, from Liverpool, salt—Dispatch, Campbell, from Greenock, goods—Industry, Brown, from Levenwick, do.—Betsey, Robertson, from ditto, do.—Nelly, Burns, from Ayr, do.—Lady Augusta, Barclay, from Christian Sound, do.—2. Diligence, Drysdale, from Greenock, goods—3. Endeavour, Tod, from Perth, goods—Elizabeth, Hunter, from Greenock, do.—Gleaner, Hog, from Newcastle, wheat—Welfare, Greig, from Liverpool, goods—Resolution, Reid, from Whitby, do.—Ceres, Bruce, from London, do.—Glasgow Packet, Taylor, from ditto, do.—Berwickshire Packet, Cummings, from ditto, do.—Elizabeth, Bell, from Whitby, do.—Nicholas, Gardner, from Aherden, do.—William, Kennedy, from Dundee, wheat—Seven sloops with coals.

#### CLEARED OUT.

Mary-Ann, Callander, for Whitby, goods—Jean, Fraser for Glasgow, do.—Catharine and Isobel, Nairn, for Perth, do

#### SEQUESTRATIONS, &c.

Sept. 29.—John May, House-builder in Edinburgh.—Creditors to meet in John's Coffeehouse, on the 9th current, at noon, to name an interim factor; and on the 6th November, to chuse a trustee.

Creditors of THOMAS RUDDIMENT, Printer in Edinburgh, to meet in John's Coffeehouse on the 30th current, at one P. M., to decide on an offered composition.

JAMES KEITH, Tanner in Dundee, to meet in Alexander Morren's, vintner there, on the 17th October current, at noon, to give instructions to the trustee.

#### TO CREDITORS.

ALL Persons having claims on DAVID DURRS, Tenant in Mill of Woodston, are desired to transmit the same to James Durr, mason in Laurencekirk, or Charles Thomson, Town Clerk of Montrose, betwixt and the 15th instant.

2d October, 1798.

AT LEITH—FOR LONDON,  
The Union Shipping Company's Armed Smacks,  
BERWICKSHIRE PACKET,  
J. CUMMINS Master—and

GLASGOW PACKET, J. TAYLOR, Master,  
Will take in goods, the Berwickshire till to-morrow morning, at 9 o'clock when she will sail, and the Glasgow till Saturday evening and sail on Sunday forenoon at 11 o'clock.

Union Shipping Co's Office, Leith, 4th October, 1798.

#### SALE OF LANDS IN ORKNEY.

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

To be SOLD, within the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon the 15th November next, between the hours of one and two o'clock afternoon,

THE FOLLOWING LANDS, which belonged to the late JOHN TRAILL of Westness, Esq. viz.—

The Six-penny Land of Midland, Garson, and Hamerlin, the Mill of Rendall and a stricken Malturres, with One-half-penny Land in Halkland, all lying in the parish of Rendall;—also, the One-penny Land of Charlakland, Four-penny Land of Deal, Three-penny Land of Dyke, Three-penny Land of Fealquoy, Two-penny Land of Pow and Stow, One-penny Land of Ovendale, One-penny Land in How in Costay-Two-merk Land in Breck in Outer Costay, and Four-merk Udal Land there, and the Lands of MIDHOUSE and PALACE, all lying in the parish of Evie; also the lands of NETHER ST CATHARINE'S QUOY, with the houses, yards, and pertinents; the particulars of all which, with the lots in which the same are to be exposed to sale, will be specified in a future advertisement; and for further information, application may be made to Mr David Balfour, W. S. Edinburgh, or Mr Hugh Spence, Kirkwall, with either of whom all those having claims on the late John Traill of Westness are requested to lodge notes thereon, with their grounds of debt, and oaths on the verity, against the 15th October next.

SALE OF LANDS IN LANARKSHIRE.

There is to be exposed in SALE by public roup, within John's Coffeehouse in Edinburgh, upon Saturday the 17th day of November next, betwixt the hours of one and two afternoon,

THE LANDS OF CROSSFORD, lying within the parish of Lesmahago, and shire of Lanark, consisting of 98 acres 2 roods 25 falls, pleasantly situated on the banks of the Clyde and Nethan, within three miles of Lanark, eight of Hamilton, and eighteen of Glasgow, with the privilege of the ferry of Crossford. There are abundance of freestone, limestone, and coal in the lands, and a considerable quantity of natural wood upon them.

The lands are at present only rented at about 6cl. independent of the coal, woods, freestone, and limestone, but they have not been augmented for near 30 years, and are all out of lease. They are held of the Crown, for the yearly payment of 3l. Scots, and of 1s. Scots to the minister of Lesmahago, and valued in the Cess-books at 10cl. Scots.

The new road from Glasgow to Lanark, runs through them. There are pleasant situations for building, and many offers have been made for felling our stedings.

The greatest part of the price will be allowed to remain in the hands of the purchaser upon proper security.

A plan and measurement of the lands are to be seen in the hands of David Hutchison, Sheriff-substitute of Renfrewshire, and William Hutcheson, writer in Edinburgh, the latter of whom will show the title-deeds; and the former is authorised to sell by private bargain.

LANDS IN DUMFRIES-SHIRE AND GALLOWAY.

To be peremptorily Sold by public roup, within the Royal Exchange Coffee House, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 28th day of November next, betwixt the hours of two and four o'clock afternoon—

I. THE ESTATE OF KIRKMICHAEL, lying in the parish of Kirkmichael and county of Dumfries, of nearly 200l. of present yearly rent.

This estate is very extensive, and contains natural woods and plantations of great value, the farm houses are mostly new, and the farms being capable of much improvement must yield considerable rises of rent on the expiry of the present leases.

It is held of the Crown, affords a freehold qualification, and possesses many other advantages.

II. The Lands of GLENKILNS, BLACKCLEUGH, and LAMPHTITS, in the parish of Kirkmichael and county of Dumfries, forming one of the best store farms in that country, presently rented at 240l. per annum.

III. The Undivided Half of the Lands of CRAIGSHIELD and HOLLIS, of which the present rent is about 200l. per annum, subject to the livery of a gentleman, nearly 70 years of age.

All these lands lie contiguous, from 8 to 10 miles from the town of Dumfries, and will be sold together or separately, as purchasers incline.

IV. The Lands of WOLF-GILL, HERRIES'S PARKS, and CARTHAGENA, in the parish of Dumfries, and within half a mile of the town, beautifully situated, and paying 240l. of yearly rent.

V. The Lands of AUCHENGIBBERT, in the parish of Urr, and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, about nine miles from Dumfries, presently rented at 18l.

There are thriving young plantations on these lands, as the new turnpike road passes through them, their value must be greatly increased.

VI. The Lands of KEMPLETON, with the mills lying in the parish of Twynholm and stewartry of Kirkcudbright, within a mile of the town of Kirkcudbright, having a commodious harbour on the lands themselves, at which vessels of 100 tons may unload.

They afford a freehold qualification in the stewartry, the mills were lately erected, and are well situated both for home and export trade.

The present yearly rent of the estate is only 250l. but the current leases very soon expire, and offers have already been made of much higher rents.

For further particulars, apply to Wm. Bushby, Esq. Great Cumberland Place, London; John Bushby, sheriff clerk of Dumfries; or Alexander Young, writer to the signet, in whose hands may be seen the articles of roup, title deeds, and leases.

#### DEFENCE OF THE COUNTRY.

Subscriptions in the Parish of Catterline, Particulars.

Sir Charles Preston paid in Edinburgh, to cover his expenses taxes L. 100  
Robert B. Dundas, Esq. of Blair — L. 50 0 0  
Captain Chalmers, for himself and the Culross Volunteers — 37 0 0  
Reverend Mr Rolland — 5 5 0  
Mr Peter Rolland — 2 2 0  
Reverend Mr M'Alpine — 5 5 0  
Patrick Begbie of Castlehill — 5 5 0  
Colonel John Dalgleish — 15 15 0  
John Panton — 1 1 0  
Alexander Muir — 2 2 0  
Robt Reid, C. V. over and above a month's pay — 10 10 6  
John Habick, C. V. over and above pay — 10 10 6  
Donald McIldejohn, C. V. over and above pay — 10 10 6  
David Laurence — 1 1 0  
A Lady — 1 1 0  
Mrs Law — 1 1 0  
A Briton — 4 4 0  
James Dalgleish, Esq. of M. Grange — 15 15 0  
John Sharp, town Clerk of Culross — 5 5 0  
Mr Muir's workmen — 2 2 0

George Philip L. 0 10 6 George Howie L. 0 10 0  
William Anderson 5 0 2 6 Robert Jonnachie 10 10 6  
David Spital 2 6 John Hodge 2 2 0  
Peter McNeil 2 6 James Fotheringham 5 0 0  
Helen Henderson 5 0 10 0 Laurence Scotland 2 2 0  
James Bennett 10 10 6 John Morgan 3 0 0  
Andrew Shed 5 0 10 0 John Shedd 10 10 6  
Robert Keltie 2 6 Alexander Douglas 10 10 6  
Archibald Strachan 2 0 10 0 William Brosterston 2 2 0  
Jacob Godfrey 2 0 10 0 William Fulton 2 2 0  
James Houston 3 0 10 0 Henry Brown 10 10 6  
John Dewar 5 0 10 0 John Coustan 10 10 6  
James Dewar 5 0 10 0 William Mustard 1 1 0  
Haldane Donald 5 0 10 0 Adam Hutton 1 1 0  
William Melvil 5 0 10 0 William Carmichael 2 2 0  
Joseph Lake 2 0 10 0 Thomas Henderson 2 2 0  
Thomas Anderson 1 0 10 0 Alexander Johnston 3 0 0  
John Stewart 1 0 10 0 John Reid 5 0 0  
William Spoon 2 0 10 0 Reuben Reid 10 10 6  
James Mustard 2 0 10 0 Andrew Hog 5 0